

HOUSE RESOLUTION 61

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Kingsport Fire Department personnel for their participation in the Learn Not to Burn program.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure the safety of their fellow citizens, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, as a part of their duties, fire department personnel engage in public education programs, particularly in the local school systems, to indoctrinate children on fire safety issues and the proper action to take in case of fires; and

WHEREAS, the fine people of the Kingsport Fire Department, under the astute leadership of Fire Chief Craig Dye, are worthy of tremendous praise for their tireless commitment to educating both the children and the adults in their community about the merits of fire safety; and

WHEREAS, Kingsport Public Education Officer Barry Brickey was selected from a vast pool of qualified professionals as Tennessee's Public Fire Educator of the Year for 2006 by the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance, Division of Fire Prevention, in recognition of his excellence as a fire safety instructor; and

WHEREAS, Officer Brickey lends his admirable teaching abilities to the successful Learn Not to Burn program; the life-saving class is a cooperation between the Kingsport Fire Department and the Kingsport Elementary Schools to teach children how to prevent and survive home fires; and

WHEREAS, the effective instruction in fire safety through the Learn Not to Burn program provided by the Kingsport Fire Department personnel is worthy of this General Assembly's applause and approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we pause in our deliberations to commend and specially honor the Kingsport Fire Department personnel for their outstanding commitment to teaching fire safety through the Learn Not to Burn program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.